1796-1870

B-3038 - B-3045 102-130 E. Montgomery St. (North side) Baltimore, Md. Private access

All but one of the houses along this side of Montgomery St. were built originally as two and a half story houses in the early decades of the nineteenth century. 102-104, 110, 118, 124, and 126-128 E. Montgomery St. still retain their original two and a half story form, each brick house being two bays wide (except for 118 E. Montgomery St. which is three bays wide) and with a steeply pitched gable roof with dormer window. 106, 112, and 114-116 E. Montgomery St. were enlarged and remodeled after the Civil War and are now three stories in height, two bays wide, with shed roofs and Italianate-style bracketed cornices. 108 E. Montgomery St., also a three story, shed-roofed house, was not built until after the Civil War. 130 E. Montgomery St. is the only surviving frame house in this section of Federal Hill. The two story high, three bay wide house (with new exterior clapboarding) was originally one of a row of three such houses located at the eastern end of the block. The similar house at 126-128 E. Montgomery St. was replaced in 1840 by a pair of two and a half story, two bay wide brick houses with Greek Revival-influenced bull's-eye exterior door and window lintels.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story brick house has a shed roof with bracketed cornice and a two bay wide side addition on the east with a sloping roof. This side addition is numbered 122 E. Montgomery St. and occupies a portion of the lot where once stood the 2 1/2 story Frame house that adjoined 124 E. Montgomery St. at the street line. The current 122 E. Montgomery St., however, is actually part of the single house at 120 E. Montgomery St. Both are set far back from the street.

The house is two stories in height, 'wide, and occupies a lot 73' deep. The original shed roof building at 120 E. Montgomery St. is five bays deep, with no rear additions. The side addition at 122 E. Montgomery St. is four bays deep. 120 is constructed in running bond; 122 in common bond. The shed roof of 120 St. is capped by a wooden cornice of Italianate design consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding supported by a row of modillions, bordered by a row of egg-and-dart carvings. Three carved brackets connect the cornice to a lower molding strip. The brick freize thus formed is punctuated by two scroll-sawed ventilating panels. 120 E. Montgomery St. has two covered rectangular chimneys along its east end wall--one centrally located and one at the rear of the house. 122 E. Montgomery St. has one covered chimney located at the center of its sloping roof.

The door and window openings of 120 E. Montgomery St. are surmounted by segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are wood. The windows are filled with the original 2/2 sash. 122 E. Montgomery St. has a deep wooden porch on the first floor and a door located directly above it. The first floor window located under the porch is filled with 6/6 sash. The Mission-style oak door of 120 E. Montgomery St. is surmounted by a single light transom. The house sits on a low basement, the entrance being reached by a single wooden stoop. There is a low, rectangular arched coal opening located under the first floor window.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is interesting as representing a Victorian-style remodeling of an earlier Federal-style house that was built on this site probably before 1830. The land had been part of the lot bought by Reppert and on which he built the house currently standing at 118 E. Montgomery St., but at some point Reppert sold the eastern section of the lot to a Conrad Lindenman, a baker whose business was located at the corner of Hanover St. and Busy Alley, near Hill. In 1839 Lindenman sold the house to John T. Grindall, who then held it as rental property. 1

The building at 122 E. Montgomery St. represents the rear addition of the original frame structure built on the front of the lot probably by James Murray, whose father Matthew built frame houses at 126-128 and 130 E. Montgomery St., in the 1795 to 1798 period.²

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber TK 288, Folio 46; Baltimore City Directory, 1827, 1837, 1840

²Ibid., Liber WG NN, Folio 568

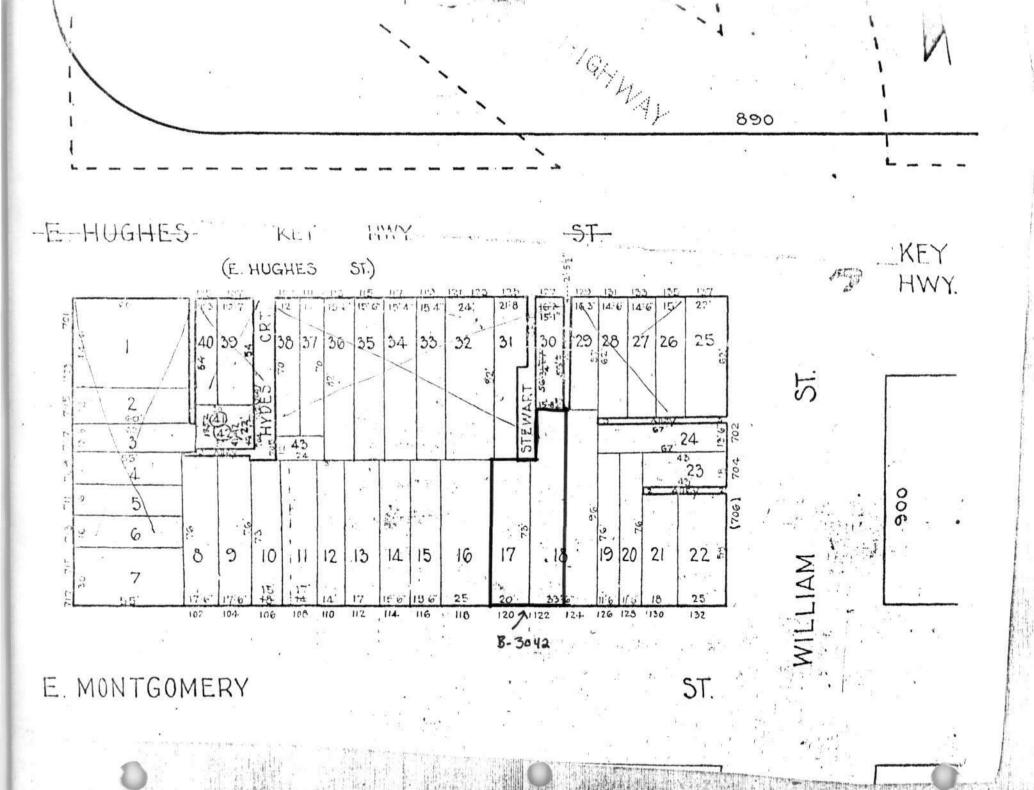
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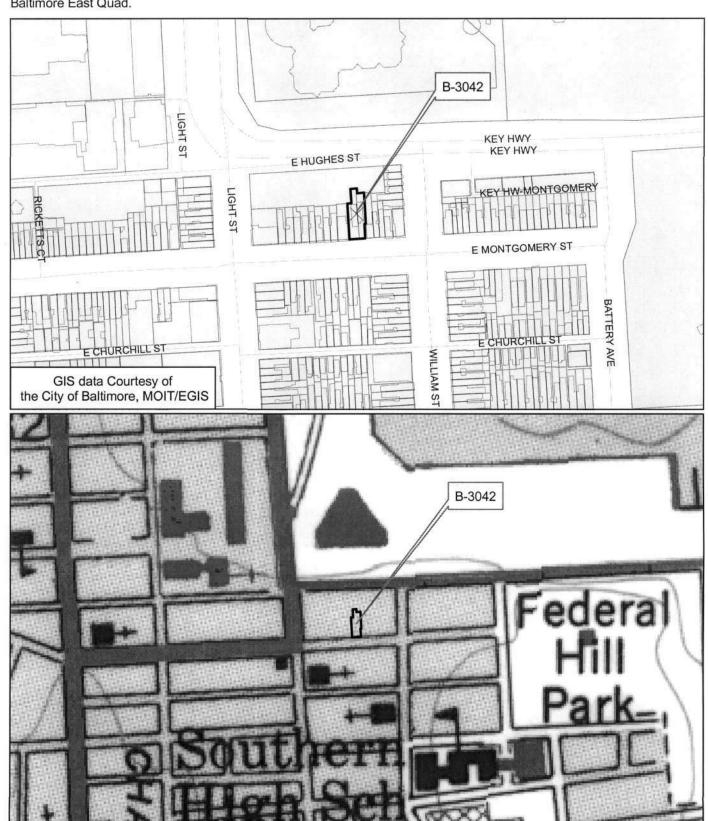
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